

FUTURE ENERGY ALTERNATIVES FOCUS GROUP MEETING

Date: Nov 7, 2007

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Location: One America Building (AUL Building)

Attendees: Murray Firestone
Mark Thom
Tom Mason
Mike Hudson
Brose McVey
Jason Lovell
Lisa Laughner

Actions are identified with a bold “**ACTION**”

Defense Asset Study Presentation:

Jason reviewed the DAS presentation with the attendees.

Comments from the attendees on the presentation & recommendations:

Tom – Systems engineering isn’t necessarily a separate degree

Mark – But could be curriculum within an existing degree program

Murray – Get more collaboration between companies + academics

Mark – It would be fun to have a conference bringing together companies + researchers to work on a problem

Tom – INCOSE – industrially focused organization concerned about systems engineering

Murray – Tech in security – nano power cells
What mechanisms exist to find opportunities to match-up with.

Mark – PU has a system in place to match manufactures with PU researchers

Murray – Lobbyists – we need help in these areas so you can drive for earmarked funding.

Biz Plan Review

The business plan was reviewed and the following change was noted:

ACTION (LL): Change to the business plan: Charge year 2, Item #5
to....beyond laboratory

Conference Suggestions:

Mike H → To get a keynote speaker; target someone who needs to be here.

- Such as people who you are trying to influence
 - o Fed labs
 - o Lugar Center for Renewable Energy
 - o John Hopkins – Army labs @ Aberdeen

Tom – Do a conference with more like a SBA approach

Murray – Include a match-making aspect

Jason →

1. Have decision maker talk about their issues
2. Propose solutions →
3. Prepare proposal for SBIR

Opportunities

ACTION (ALL): Review the Opportunity List and reply back to Jason/Lisa your proposal interests.

Mike H → Recommended that this focus team round up folks in this space

- PU, Duke,

ACTION (LL): Include in the minutes the Kokomo meeting

ACTION (JL): Will determine if we can use the prime database for the database template.

Other

The group agreed to participate in the database

Next meeting date to be targeted for mid January.